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attendance on the single central school. The township has one of the best high schools in the state. After paying for the new central building, in the fifth year there was an actual saving to the township of more than \$750.00.

Such schools are in successful. A. HARDY,

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN, By County Supt. L. R. Clark

Our Rural School System, Its Present and Future.

All improvements in social conditions, if they are to be at all effective and permanent, must be brought about by a demand of public sentiment. History records many great and noble plans to benefit mankind which failed through the indifference of the people. Laws distasteful to public sentiment are farces, but laws upheld by this mighty force are binding and salu-

Throughout these articles the writer has tried to show that the changes go-ing on in the rural schools are due to a demand of the people for something better. In communities where the changed conditions were first noticed, the remedies were first applied.

A description of the plans acopted will be given as an answer to the question, How can the graded school

question, How can the graded school be taken to the country.

In a township in Trumbull county, Ohio, "the Board divided the township into eight routes, which were let to the lowest bidder, the successful one being required to give bond for the fulfilling of the contract and also for good conduct of himself and of the pupils carried, and further to provide good, comfortable, well covered vans in which to carry the children. Also to furnish blankets and robes for the same.

side and are set down upon the school pense.

ground. "There is no tramping through snow and mud. The average cost per van per day is \$1.09. The carriers are re-

schoolhouse as a center a circle is drawn. All scholars who live within this circle attend school at their own expense. A second circle is drawn, with a mile and three-fourths radius. All scholars who live in the belt be-tween the two circles receive \$1.00 each per menth to pay for their transpor-tation. Each family provides for its own transportation in its own way. way. Under this system the township attendance rose from sixty-five attend-ance on eight schools to ninety-five

Ohio, Indiana, and the system is growing in public favor as it is be-coming understood. Following are the principal arguments for centraliz-

1. There are enough pupils to form good, strong classes, thoroughly graded as they are advanced, which is impossible in the average district school.

2. Better results will be secured for less money. There will be one building to heat and keep up instead of eight or ten.

of eight or ten.

3. With a central graded school with a high school course, all the children of the township have the benefit of higher educational advantages at home without going to the city for

4. It will solve the problem of how to keep the boys on the farm. We thus bring to the farm that for which a boy goes to the city or town. The schoolhouse with its library and reading room will become the social and intellectual center of the community.

intellectual center of the community.

Of course there are sections of the country where consolidation is impossible. In many localities in western states it will be impracticable for several years at least. But there are many communities, even in this country, where it could be adopted with advantage. In concluding we can do no better than quote from the authority before mentioned: "Justly we have prided ourselves in the past on ity before mentioned: "Justly we have prided ourselves in the past on the district school. Changing conditions of life, the demands of a higher civilization demand the evolution of district school, the people's college, to the central graded school, the people's university. It must come. Thinking people who oppose such an evolution admit that it will come in a few years. But why delay it?"

Report of Pleasant Valley School Dist. No. 24.

Term opened October 1st, closed March 22nd. Total number of days taught 119.

Number of pupils enrolled 10. Average daily attendance 6. C. W. Jenkins, Teacher. Report of Sandhill School, Dist.

Term opened October 1st, closed Total number of days taught 120. Number of pupils enrolled 15. Average daily attendance 10. Mabel Teed, Teacher.

Report of School in Dist. No. 14. Term opened October 1st, closed April 12.

Total number of days taught 140. Number of pupils envolled 12. Average daily attendance 8. Ivy Lesley, Teacher.

The tax commission of this state has The tax commission of this state has been appointed a special commission to the tax commissioners' convention to meet in Buffalo this summer. With transportation, pullman cars and eating house passes they should be able to accomplish a great deal of good for the tax payers of this state.

furnish blankets and robes for the same.

"The eight vans carry on an average about twenty pupils each. The children step into the van at the road on left-handed compliments at her ex-She has returned right handers, straight from the shoulder delivered, with such good judgment and force that the fellows feel like the boy who tickled a mule's hind foot.

per day is \$1.09. The carriers are required to have the children on the school ground by \$1.45 a.m., which does away with tardiness, and to leave for home about 3:45 p.m.

'Our school has now been in session several months, and we are able to make a fair and close estimate of the year's expenses.

'Taking last year for comparison we find: Number of school age in the township, 235; number enrolled in school, 184; average daily attendance, 125; cost per pupil for the year \$19.32. Under the new way: Number of school age 241; number enrolled in central school, 190; average daily attendance, or Geo. Bill and wife celebrated their

age 241; number enrolled in central school, 190; average daily attendance, 165; cost per pupil for the year, \$15."

In Kingsville township, Ashtabula county, the cost per pupil per year under the district plan was \$22.75. With a central graded school and pupils conveyed at public expense the cost p.r pupil per year has been reduced to \$12.25.

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The following is an account of a system in Portage county, Ohio: The school one is centrally located in the township. With a mile radius and the school house as a center a circle is children. Gold, how well it typified the lives of the dear father and moth er, never tarnished and 100 per cent pure. May the God who brought them through the storms and calm of life bewith them now as the shadows length-en toward evening.—Bentonville Dem-

Major Bill will be remembered by the older residents of this county as one of the early settlers. We are pleased to learn of the continued good health of these old friends, who in the dark days of drought and crop fail-ures in this county, by their example cheered and encouraged many a fait-ering hand.



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The attorney general's office recent-ly opinioned that the registration law passed by the last legislature applied to the whole state. This brought the administration up against it, for it would force registration all over the state, make a lot of expense and raise sheel generally. A council of war was hastily called and the attorney general's office called on the carpet. The al's office called on the carpet. The office was equal to the occasion and, after carefully adjusting its dream cap and tieing the string firmly under its apology for a chin, dreamed again and evolved the theory that the law only applied to two counties. Then all smiled and said "I told you so." This of course means that the law will be a dead letter and that matters will be a dead letter and that matters will be a dead letter and that matterrs will go on as heretofore unless some fellow who is left out on the combinations concludes to accept the attorney general's first dreamand institutes a contest. In that case the Supreme Court will decide the case—in some future

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People's Party Convention.

A delegate convention is hereby called of the populist and democratic voters of Edwards county to meet at the Court House in Kinsley on Satur-day, May 11, 1901, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of electing seven delegates to attend the judicial convention to be held at Larned, Kansas, on May 14th, 1901. The basis of representation will be one delegate for each ten votes, or

major fraction thereof, cast for the Hon. Abe Frakes for secretary of state at the last general election.

The following is the number of delegates each township is entitled to:

Kinsley 15, Trenton 4, Belpre 4, Lincoln 5, Jackson 3, Logan 2, Brown 6, Wayne 4, Franklin 7 6, Wayne 4, Franklin 7.

It is recommended that the township caucuses be held on Thursday, May 9th, at 3 p. m., at the voting places in each township, except when otherwise ordered by the township central committeemen

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Federation and is entirely non-politithis meeting. This matter has been worked cut to a successful solution in Iowa and he thinks it can be here. He says that the individual grain buyer is being forced out of business by the combines, and that farmers can hardly expect protection unless they furnish it themselves. He recommends Saturday, May 14, for holding meet-ings to elect delegates. A Farmer's Federation should be formed in every

There is to be a meeting of Kansas. Man does not "go to" heaven but grain growers at Salina the 16th of he creates his own Heaven, and enjoys next month for the purpose of organ- the happiness and harmony associated izing co-operative elevators and ship-ping stations all over this state. This is a movement of the Farmer's State them during his life on earth. Many a man still dwelling here experiences The secretary of the state asso- daily more of the joys of Heaven, sociation has issued an address calling called, than many others who have on the township trustees to take the matter up where there is no federation and see to it that delegates are sent to Ladies' Home Journal.

A Raging Roaring Flood

Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Elis, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cold and cough. It grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland. Neh., Sioux City and Omaha said had Consumption and could not live. Federation should be formed in every county, not only in the grain growers interest, but for the general protection of farmers. Every other industry is organizing for protection and why not the producer.

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